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POLICE TAKING PRECAUTIONS TO PREVENT ANY BURGLARIES

Thieves Manage to Get Away With Much Ease After Nearby Operations

MONESSEN AUTOMOBILE FOUND

Machine of Vaughn Madigan Discovered on Charleroi Road—Evidently Had Been Driven Hard—Finger Print System in Use Here

Considering the reports of numerous robberies taking place at Pittsburg and at various points in the Monongahela valley as warnings, the police here are taking every precaution to prevent similar occurrences, and residents are being advised to do the same. Chief of Police C. W. Albright and his men feel that so far Charleroi has extremely fortunate in escaping the wave of crime, yet regard preparation as necessary.

Generally burglars have succeeded in getting away with much ease, riding by automobile or in some other way. Speers was the scene of the last operations of any consequence reported to the police and the thieves managed to get into four homes and then get away without leaving the least trace.

At Monessen recently an automobile belonging to Vaughn Madigan was stolen, after an attempt had been made to secure that of Cary L. Buick. Later this automobile was found near the garbage furnace back of Charleroi. The Monessen police are working on a clue to the effect that the car had been driven to Wheeling and back.

One of the devices that has been put into effect in Charleroi is that of the finger print system. In cases where it has been used, it has proven very successful. Chief of Police Albright is making a still further study of the system with the view of making an improvement here. This is a similar system to that in use in Pittsburg, with which an effort is being made at the present time to unravel a puzzling mystery.

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MAJESTIC THEATRE

TODAY

Presents by special request return engagement of "The Rosary" a beautiful 7 reel Selic Masterpiece featuring such noted stars as Charles Clary and Kathlyn Williams. This picture made a tremendous hit here early in August. This is your last chance to see it. Full orchestra. Get the Majestic Habit. 156-t1

If you want to give glasses for a Xmas gift get them now and the receiver can have their eyes tested at any time. Free of charge. Examination by graduate optometrist. John B. Schafer. 153-tf—*

Boys! Enter the prize contest, get your Erector outfit at Berryman's Store. 155t6

SCHOOL INSTITUTE TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY AT ELLSWORTH

County and Assistant County Superintendents to be Special Invited Guests at District Assemblage

A local institute will be held by the school district comprising Ellsworth, Bentleyville, Cokeburg and Somerset township at the Ellsworth school on Saturday beginning with the morning session at 10 o'clock. A social hour will be enjoyed from 12 until 2 at which time the afternoon session which will last until 4 o'clock will begin.

The especially invited guests will be County Superintendent L. R. Crumrine, Assistant Superintendents Westlake and Kuder and Miss Anna Thomas and Prof. Frank Field from the California State Normal school. In the discussions attention will be given to various school problems which originate in the grades and high school. Luncheon will be served by the domestic science department of the schools.

COUNTY CARING FOR 36 WIDOWS

Mothers Pension Fund in Operation—Members From Various Parts of County

SUM APPROPRIATED $4,080

Plans are being made by the directors of the Mothers' Pension fund for carrying on the work in Washington county.

At the present time the fund is taking care or assisting in the care of 36 widows in the county and from the present appropriation no more can be taken care of at this time. However the names of the mothers applying for assistance are being kept on record and they will be given assistance, as the ones now on the list become ineligible for assistance. Those applying for help will be taken up according to their turn on the waiting list.

For this work in the county the legislature appropriatied $4,680 yearly and one-tenth of this amount is to be aplied for expenses in connection with the work.

At the last meeting the directors placed on the list the last benifiiciary and now they have but $351 to disburse monthly. When a mother applies for help the trustees take up the application and the trustee located in the neighborhood, where the

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BLACKSMITH SHOT BY DISGRUNTLED DRIVER

Alleged That Colored Man at Monessen Fires Twice When Horseshoer Declines to Let Him Have Horses Upon Peremptory Demand

Disgruntled over his failure to get a team of horses from the blacksmith shop when he thought he should, and quarrelsome because of that fact, it is said, Curry Robinson, a colored man of Monessen Wednesday afternoon shot and seriously wounded Samuel Radin, a blacksmith. Robinson was arrested, and plead guilty to a charge of felonious shooting before Justice of the Peace A. N. Shuster. He was held without bond for court.

It is alleged that Robinson, who drives for a dealer by the name of Ginsberg, went for his team of horses at the blacksmith shop. The blacksmith, Radin, told him they weren't ready. Robinson wanted to take his horses anyhow, but was prevented. Then it is said he became quarrelsome and finally drew a knife, promising to wield it. He was ejected from the shop, but according to the story later returned and fired a revolver twice at Radin.

One of the bullets took effect in Radin's shoulder and one in a lung. The negro ran, but was caught at Seventh street by Chief of Police John Wheatley. Radin was cared for. He is not critically wounded, but is seriously and painfully hurt.

NEW LINE MAY BE BUILT THROUGH TO WELLSBURG

Talk Revived of Activities of Pennsylvania Railroad In the Construction of Connecting Link From Washington, This County.

It has been announced that the Pennsylvania Railroad company will build a railroad line through Brooke county, W. Va. to develop the almost inexhaustible deposits of coal along its right of way which covers about 30 miles between Beech Bottom and West Middletown, Washington county, Pennsylvania. The proposed line cost between $30,000,000 and $35,000,000.

The country through which the road will be projected is rough and several tunnels would have to be constructed and it is thought that the cost of building may far exceed the above figures. It is believed by many people that the new railroad line will run from Washington via Bethany to Wellsburg.

About twelve years ago capitalists in New York commenced to build the Wellsburg and State Line railroad from Wellsburg to Washington for the purpose of developing the coal deposits. Two miles of the track was constructed under a heavy expense, up Buffalo creek and a coal tipple and works were opened up near Waugh's dam. Soon after this development there was a financial crisis and the railroad failed. It has been in litigation for ten years.

A number of Wellsburg citizens think that the Pennsylvania railroad has secured the rights over the old State Line tracks and that entrance will be made to Wellsburg by this route.

Many believe that Wellsburg will be the terminus of the new railroad from Washington and that double tracks will be constructed from Wellsburg to Beech Bottom and that railroad spurs will be extended from the latter place to handle the products from the mines.

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ACCUSES STEPSON; NOW GOES TO JAIL ALONG

John Dessing Travels Same Route With David Nutting—Both Will Await Action of the February Term of Court.

Information charging aggravated assault and battery was preferred by John Dessing Tuesday against his stepson, David Nutting and this information has led not only to the jailing of Nutting until the February term of court at Washington, but also to the jailing of Dessing until the same time. Justice of the Peace Rice handled two cases in which they were concerned.

Dessing accused young Nutting, who has lately been considerably in the limelight of threatening his life with a wicked looking knife. Soon after Dessing had Nutting arrested. Mrs. Reese Williams of Maple creek preferred information against Dessing charging surety of the peace. Both were held for action of the grand jury and as neither could furnish bail both were taken to Washington today.

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"THE ROSARY" TO BE MAJESTIC ATTRACTION

The program at the Majestic theatre will be featured by the production of "The Rosary" today. This beautiful story is portrayed in seven parts, with Charles Clary and Kathlyn Williams enacting the leading roles. The picture was shown here early in August and made a tremendous hit. It is being given in a return engagement by a special request. Music for this feature will be furnished by the Majestic orchestra.

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PROSPECTS BRIGHT ALONG THE RIVER; LOCK WORK CONTINUES

MINER NEAR MONONGAHELA IS KILLED BY FAST TRAIN

Every Bone in Body Broken But Skin Is Not Cracked—Coroner Investigating.

With every bone from his neck to his waist crushed, but with the skin unbroken and unmarked, the lifeless body of Mike Siliski, aged 50 years, and an employe of the Diamond Coal company at Houston Run, was found lying beside the tracks of the P. R. R., near Cincinnati Mine. It is believed that the man was struck by a train but that the engineer had no knowledge of the fact that he had struck a man.

It is thought that the man was walking on the track and was struck by a swiftly moving train so that he was thrown to one side of the track and not under the wheels. The flesh of his body was unmarked but all the bones of the trunk were broken.

Siliski was married and lived at Coal Bluff. Coroner Heffran has been notified and will conduct an investigation.

THOMPSON FOLK DISAPPOINTED

New York Trust Company Refuses to Accept Proposition to Finance Sale

J. V. NOT COMING HOME SOON

It was learned at Uniontown Wednesday that the trust company in New York which was considering a proposition to finance and direct the liquidation of the J. V. Thompson indebtedness had refused to accept. According to a Uniontown coke broker whom Mr. Thompson owes nearly $900,000, the trust company did not regard the plan as feasible.

The refusal of the trust company shattered the hopes of the Thompson creditors more than the recent statement of H. C. Frick that the coal properties of Mr. Thompson were overvalued and could not be sold for sufficient money to pay his indebtedness. It was also learned that the trust company which had the proposition under consideration was antagonistic to Mr. Frick and his interests in Fayette county.

This information was disappointing to the Thompson creditors as they realize that the Frick interests in Fayette county are largely responsible for the present prosperity in Fayette county. The Frick interests give employment to 40,000 men in Fayette county and wage earners among the Thompson creditors are kindly disposed toward them.

It was reported that the J. V. Thompson Creditors' Association had other plans for the adjustment of Thompson's indebtedness. It was learned that Mr. Thompson will not return to Uniontown from New York until the holidays.

Much Activity Being Shown Now at Lock No. 4—December to be Good Month

GOVERNMENT FORCE IS BUSY

Bottom of Old Lock Being Removed, And Erection of Concrete Forms Will Be Started Shortly—Fully a Year Before Completion.

Coal prospects are bright along the Monongahela river, according to rivermen who are closely in touch with the situation. Shipments by river as well as rail are keeping up well and probably on the whole more coal is being shipped from this valley and ever before. Meanwhile all the mines and industries are being operated to capacity, as frequently published.

At Lock No. 4 this morning the lockmaster stated that the coal shipping business was keeping up at a good average. "December is not likely to prove a record breaking month," he announced, "but it will still be an average good month." This means that a total of about 18,000,000 bushels of coal on a guess, will be locked through Lock No. 4. Just the one lock is being used while the other is in course of building.

Work on the new lock is progressing rapidly. Unhampered either by high water or bad weather for weeks the government men have been engaged on the big building job. With steam shovels and cranes going night and day and shifts of men pulling blocks, the lock looks like a miniature Panama Canal in the building.

The government force is still taking out the bottom for the new lock. Shortly there will be started the erection of some of the concrete forms and the removal of the bottom and digging out being the forms continued. It will befully a year before this new lock can be completed.

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W. R. GAUT ELECTED PRESIDENT OF HOTEL MEN'S ASSOCIATION

At the annual convention of the Pennsylvania Hotel Men's Association which opened in Easton Wednesday, W. R. Gaut, proprietor of the Walfred Hotel of Charleroi was re-elected vice president. L. Fred Kloose of Pittsburg was named president. This will be Mr. Gaut's second year as vice president of the State associatioin he having been elected one year ago. Mr. Gaut has proven a popular vice president.

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Company On Inspection January 19.

The dates for the annual inspection of various commands in the Tenth regiment have been set. Company A, Monongahela will be inspected on January 19.

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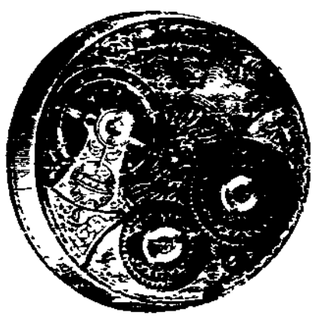

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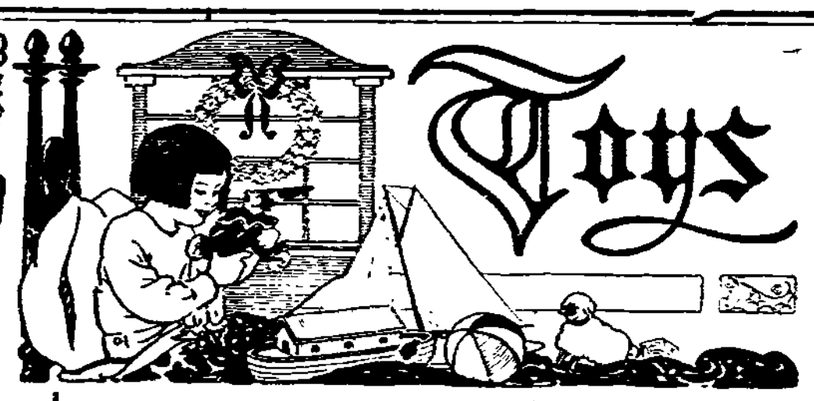

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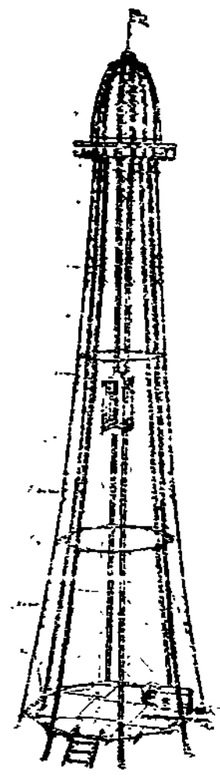

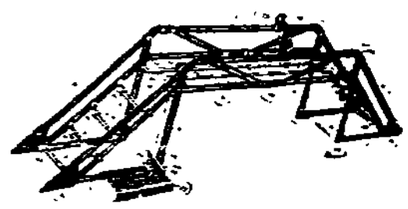

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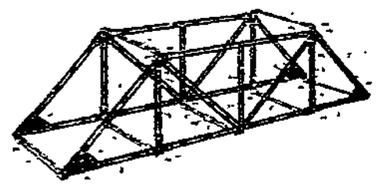

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Mysterious Zones of Silence.

A meteorologist of Zurish, Dr. A. de Querran, directs attention to a new theory which he calls a zone of silence. He says that strong noises like explosions or the sound of cannons, while heard in a normal way in their immediate neighborhood, are not heard in a distant zone even when most intense.

It is now known as a historical fact that Frederick the Great on August 17, 1760, won the battle of Liegnitz because the Austrian generals Daun and Lasen asserted that they had not heard the sound of cannons. It was supposed at that time that the statement of the Austrian commanders was an untruth, but it is now believed that a zone of silence existed. Similar phenomena have been observed recently. In 1908, when the Jungfrau railroad was being built in Switzerland, a fearful detonation took place, caused by the explosion of 25,000 kilograms of dynamite. The noise was heard at a distance of 30 kilometers, but not at 140 kilometers. Strange to say, however, the noise was heard 50 kilometers from the last named zone.

Silence Cloth.

Those of us who still cling to tablecloths instead of polished wood have often wondered at the exasperating qualities of the Canton flannel silence cloth. Almost every hot dish placed over it causes it to stick closer than a brother to the polished table and to leave white fuzzy rings on the wood. Instead, make a silence cloth out of cheesecloth or other washable material, with several layers of paper between the two folds. Overcast the edges and knot here and there as in a quilt.—Mother's Magazine.

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IN PRAISE OF THE LOAFER

Master of Inactivity Usually Invites Confidence and the Friendship of His Fellows.

As a profession, of course, loafing is not to be thought of, for the loafer then becomes an object of contempt and there is something wrong with the man who courts contempt. But loafing as an avocation is another thing; and the successful loafer in that sense is a person of parts, a source of wonder and an example for beginners. Loafing should not be confused with apathetic inactivity. Your true loafer is honest with himself and the world, loafing deliberately and openly, never apologizing for his aversion to labor; and his thoughts never descend below devising new schemes for pleasant loafing. The loafer who merely sits inert is a loiterer and will bear watching, but the loafer proper is alive to what is going on about him and takes a healthy interest in men and affairs seldom arouses distrust or suspicion.

On the contrary, he usually invites confidence and the friendship of those less abundantly gifted. The social qualities are his particular hobby. He applies himself to the business of being useful to those who do not naturally claim attention; he cultivates a pleasant view of life which makes his smile sincere and his handclasp cheering.

Above all, he never exceeds the limitations of his natural endowments. If he is not possessed of an inherent nimbleness of wit he contents himself with making the most of his heavy wit. Affectation he dislikes, but he is never guilty, except by example, of condemning it in others.

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ADVERTISE

RADICAL CHANGES IN CHINA

Republican Government Doing Many Things, Among Others Breaking Through Historic Wall.

The great wall which has surrounded the city of Peking for many centuries is undergoing an unusual change. Peking is laid out in a symmetrical form, with nine gates leading through the great wall. Each side has two gates except the front, where an extra central gate—the Chien-men—leads directly into the forbidden city, the central inclosure of Peking. This Chien-men, or front gate, is the one most seriously crowded with traffic; and yet tradition up to the present day has never permitted it to be enlarged nor any other gate to be broken near it in order to relieve the congestion of rickshaws, carts, donkeys, motor cars, camels and heavy-laden human beasts of burden—coolies.

The present republican government is by no means so superstitious as the old exclusive Manchu regime, but Yuan Shi-kai must take into consideration the superstitions of the people. The gate through which former emperors passed in and out of Peking was opened immediately after the republic was established; but only a few days after it had been thrown open to the public a mutiny of the troops took place in Peking, and much of the town was looted. The cause of the calamity was laid to the credit of the newly opened gate, whereupon it was immediately closed and has never since been swung upon its hinges.

Since the republic has been well established a number of changes in the minor inner walls have taken place, notably two new gates having been broken in one of these inner walls; and as no calamity has befallen the city, the government is now making bold efforts to relieve the congestion at the Chien-men by breaking two new gates through the great wall.

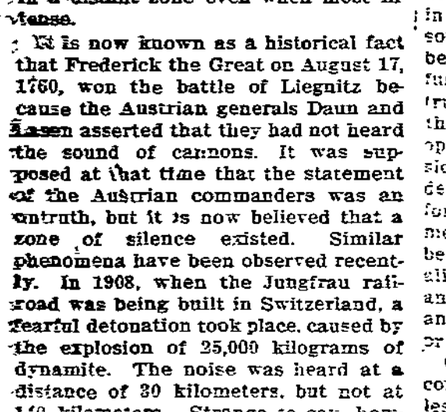
The wall is forty or fifty feet high and forty or fifty feet thick. The work is a difficult task because the excellent mixture of cement of former days has fastened the bricks like stone together with remarkable firmness. It is expected that the sections of another smaller wall will be found within this large wall, the smaller one probably being that which Marco Polo described in the account of his visit to the famous capital of Kublai Khan.

Convenient Clothespin Bag.

This bag is made from a square bag just wide enough to have a clothes hanger sewed to the top. A slit is made down the middle to within four inches of each end, so that the pins may be put in and taken out easily. The advantage of this bag is that it can be hooked on the line and slid along as the clothes are hung up.

Strawberry Muffins.

One pint flour, two small teaspoonfuls baking powder, one-half cupful sugar, little salt sifted together. Add to one beaten egg and one cupful milk. Mix well and add one cupful mashed strawberries and two tablespoonfuls melted butter. Bake in muffin tins in quick oven



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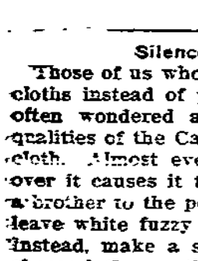

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You know it is mighty hard to save all by yourself and keep the money in the house. But if you once "put down your foot"—determined to cut out all unnecessary little things which you get along without—then you save money; and it is easier to save it in this Bank than it is to do it alone. So we have instituted this Savings Club to "make" it easy for you to save.

A Simple Systematic Savings Plan

This is an easy plan because it asks you to take out of your weekly salary a small amount. How welcome it will be—a check from us next December with many times as much money as you have ever spent for Christmas before! Here's what small weekly payments will amount to—

Deposit $5.00 weekly, in 50 weeks you get $250.00 plus interest.
Deposit $2.00 weekly, in 50 weeks you get $100.00 plus interest.
Deposit $1.00 weekly, in 50 weeks you get $ 50.00 plus interest.
Deposit $ .50 weekly, in 50 weeks you get $ 25.00 plus interest.
Deposit $ .25 weekly, in 50 weeks you get $ 12.50 plus interest.

Urge your friends also to go into this systematic savings system, and they will thank you for persuading them to do it.

Did You Have Enough Money Last Christmas?

Many little things could have been bought if you had had more. Did you remember everybody among your relatives, friends, children, etc., that you wished? A little extra money would have been very welcome.

Wonderful How the Little Savings Count

These small deposits each week will surprise you, as they soon develop into a snug sum. We give you interest at our regular rate and add it to your deposits.

Join at Once. Start the Good Time---Now

Once you get into the habit of saving, you will dislike to give it up. Take our advice—do as great financiers advise; "save the littles and the large sums will take care of themselves."

HOW TO DEPOSIT—You can send the deposit by mail, by messenger or bring it yourself. It's as safe one way as the other. We give you a receipt each time so you'll know exactly what you have saved.

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Bits of Byplay

By Luke McLuke

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Fair.

Of course I know such a beauty
Has eyes that sparkle like the sun;
I know she's a brunette, and yet
I'm here to say that one is fair.

Paw Knows Everything.

Willie—Paw, is love blind?

Paw—It is for awhile, my son. But it always opens its eyes after marriage.

Maw—Willie, you leave the table and go to bed without your supper.

Tough.

"The oyster is a modest cuss;
He never brags," said Mr. Hoop;
"He never makes a bit of fuss,
And yet he winds up in the soup."

Huh!

"Please, ma'am, could you help a poor man who can't find employment?" whined the hobo.

"Here is a dime, my good man," said the sympathetic old lady. "What kind of work do you do?"

"I mow lawns in winter and shovel snow in summer," replied the hobo.

Sad!

The bill collector said: "Oh, my!
All other men we're shunned by;
They put us off and seem to try
To do those they are dunned by."

The Wise Fool.

"What, in your estimation, is the most useless thing in the world?" asked the sage.

"The Mexican electoral college," replied the fool.

Cross.

A very genial man I know,
As nice a man as you could meet;
He is good natured even though
He has to live on a cross street.

A Couple of Hustlers.

Dear Luke: Seek no further for attorneys for the club. How about Doolittle & Livezy, lawyers, of Huntington, W. Va.?—J. C. H.

Cheer Up!

Though things did not go right with you
Today, my son, do not feel blue.
Cheer up, and when you hit the hay
Tonight, just smile awhile and say,
"Tomorrow is another day!"

There Ain't No Sich Animal.

A clinging vine girl is one of the soulful sort who is ever willing to follow, but hesitates to lead.—Temple (Tex.) Telegram.

That Billboard Man Again.

The billboard man is mighty strange,
For, while he would not rob,
The only way he gets his change
Is through a "put up" job.
—Cuvier.

Here He Is!

Dear Luke—Did you know that A. Gunn of Mount Zion, W. Va., is a son of A. Gunn?—L. S. Bartlett.

Timely Fall Offense.

The coal man is a stubborn cuss,
I called him down today,
But I cannot convince him of
The error of his weigh.
—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Some coal men have a little weigh
Not approved by every one;
What they deliver to you may
Be nineteen hundred for a ton.
—Butler (Pa.) Citizen.

Oh, What a Hard Guy!

Dear Luke: Iza Rock lives in Zanesville, O.—Jake.

Things to Worry About.

Your brain works 13 per cent better at 10:30 a. m. than at 5:30 p. m.

Names Is Names.

Etta Lotta Junk lives at Washington Courthouse, O.

Our Daily Special.

When we measure ourselves we always stretch the tape a little bit.

Luke McLuke Says:

We all want more ourselves, but we can't understand why other people are not satisfied with what they have.

Many a man who couldn't be arrested for bigamy has discovered that he has one wife too many.

The trouble with this country is that every man you meet wants to talk about himself when you want to talk about yourself.

Any old day that you accomplish just one-tenth of the things that you intended to do is a pretty good day.

Somehow or other, the man who hasn't time to shave himself at home always has time to wait a half an hour for his turn in a barber shop.

Every now and then you will see a married man who is so weary looking and so seedy looking that he gives you the impression that his wife makes him sleep in the dog house.

Always accept the advice another man hands you. It makes him feel good to hand it out, and you do not have to use it.

A wife will put in a lot of time trying to mend her husband's ways. But it is different with his socks.

When a woman wants to shine in society she powders her nose every five minutes.

Some men do not speak to their wives for hours at a time. They do not like to interrupt the dear things.

Why is it that a doctor uses Egyptian hieroglyphics when he writes your prescription and uses mighty plain English when he writes your bill?

The trouble with the helping hands that are extended in that there isn't anything in them.

W. B. Pfleghardt

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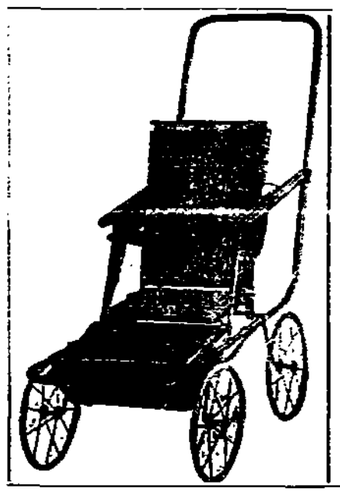

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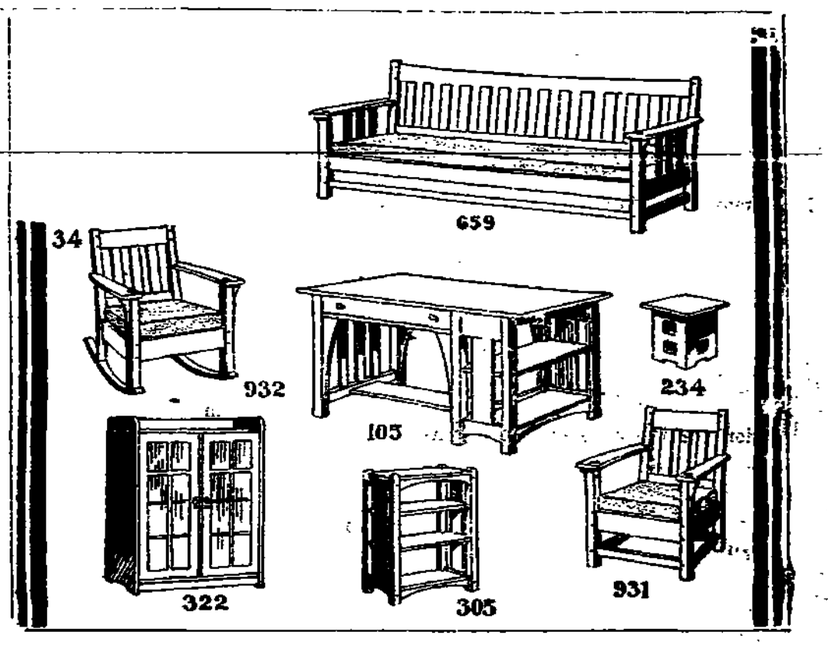
Library Tables at . . . . $8.50 to 28.00
Cedar Chests at . . . . . $2.00 to 22.00



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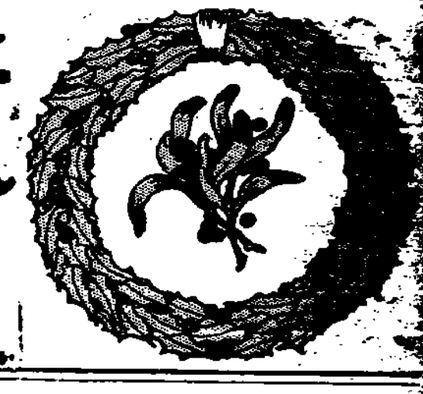

HOLY GRAIL MERELY LEGEND

Green Crystal Vase Found by Baldwin I in Ruins of Cesarea Is Only So Called.

Few places are more absolutely cities of the past than Cesarea. Some one has spoken of the remains of its ancient glory as the "ruin of ruins." The medieval town which was twice rebuilt by the Crusaders covered scarcely a tenth of the area occupied by the city as St. Paul knew it, and the ruins that we see today are chiefly the relics of the medieval city, which was itself built out of the ruins of the ancient city.

What a rich quarry Cesarea has been for other city builders is shown by the fact that, though it has been drawn upon for all these centuries for marble and granite and sandstone, it is not yet absolutely exhausted, but still affords building material for the peasants of the vicinity.

The green crystal vase which was found here when Baldwin I, the great Crusader, captured the city at the beginning of the twelfth century, says the Christian Herald, gave rise to the story of the Holy Grail, which has inspired so many legends and poems, for Baldwin and his followers believed that it was the one that was used at the Last Supper by our Lord, when he gave his disciples the cup of wine and said: "Drink ye all of it; this do in remembrance of me."

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MAKE KITCHEN BRIGHT

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Many Reasons Why Room Should Be the Cleanest, Sunniest and Most Cheerful in the House—Color Scheme Means Much.

One wonders at the housekeepers who choose for their kitchen walls and woodwork a dingy gray or brown or some other dark, dull color that will not show the dirt. Are they better housekeepers because the dirt, which is surely there, does not show? Would these same women wear black dresses and aprons when doing the cooking and feel that they were clean because they did not look soiled?

The kitchen should be the cleanest, sunniest, and most cheerful room in the house. It is here the housekeeper spends most of her time, and it is here the food is prepared and often served.

It is not always possible to have the kitchen located so as to get the best light, but a dark room may be much improved by using the proper color. In a Minnesota town the school kitchen had windows on the east side only. Half of them were on a court and the others against a hill; but by the use of a deep cream tint on the ceiling, a buff for the walls, and woodwork of southern pine finished in the natural color and varnished, the effect of sunlight was given even on the dull, short days of the northern winter.

If there is much sunshine in the kitchen white or blue may be used; but on the north side of the house use buff or warm, yellowish tan. The increased cheerfulness and better spirits of the housekeeper will mean much to the entire family, and her work will not be increased by the new color scheme because a sunny, pleasant workshop lightens every task.—Mary L. Oberlin, Colorado Agricultural college, Fort Collins Colo

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In this last week before Christmas there may be many little last-minute commissions which you wish carried out without loss of time.

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Perhaps you wish some gift, seen in our Christmas catalog, selected, packed with a gift-card enclosed, and shipped to some friend in a distant city. This will be carefully done, and the carrying charges prepaid, to any point in the United States, East of the Mississippi River.

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HEALTH OF THE BUSINESS WOMAN

There are more than eight million women wage earners in the United States. They are represented in almost every branch of commercial activity, says State Health Commissioner Samuel G. Dixon.

The question of the health of women workers is one of the utmost importance not alone on account of the efficiency of the individual but because the future welfare of the race may be materially affected by the health of these potential mothers.

A woman's nervous organization is more sensitive than that of a man. In many trades, occupations and employments, this very fact has been responsible for women's success. Good taste, tact and deftness are qualities which should be cultivated to secure the greatest value from the services of female employees.

The maximum number of hours of labor may not always bring the maximum of production. Scientific efficiency experts have proved that shorter hours and reasonable rest periods often result in increased production. Nearly all corporations and large employers of women workers have learned that by making adequate provision for the care of their employees, their efficiency is increased.

The woman in business should remember that within certain limitations her well-being rests largely in her own hands. There are four essentials to good health: Eight hours sleep in the fresh air; regular exercise, sensible clothing, wholesome food.

Without these neither men or women can maintain their physical well-being for any lengthy period.

No woman should try working on her nerves. This may be kept up for quite a while when pleasure or the demands of business tempt one to rob themselves of the necessary amount of rest. Invariably one must foot the bills, so in the end the reaction is apt to prove dangerous.

At this season of the year thousands of women are working under a continual strain. They should recognize this and for the time being cut pleasures and devote themselves to getting sufficient rest outside of working hours to carry them through the stress of the holiday business conditions. Better too, a few personal preparations for Christmas neglected than to risk a breakdown after the holidays.

REPUBLICAN HARMONY

There has been a heap of talk recently about factional fights among the Republicans of Pennsylvania over the state leadership and other matters of burning importance to the regular Republicans of the state.

It will, therefore, be agreeable information to know that the Republican leaders of the state have combined in an effort to promote party harmony and line up in solid column for the approaching presidential campaign.

Political disturbers had for several weeks been industriously at work sowing seeds of discord in Philadelphia and were sending out assurances that Mayor-elect Smith would throw the full force of his administration against Senator Penrose and his state leadership. On Friday night last Philadelphia's new mayor disposed of the whole trouble-making contingent by issuing the appended interesting statement:

"I will not stand for any factional warfare in the party by contractors or any one else and I hope the rest [illegible] assessing the settled conviction that in the greatest Republican city in the country, the party should not be open to reproach of contractor leadership.

"I have known Senator Penrose well for a score of years and have steadily supported him in his political efforts. I realize his great influence in the national councils of the Republican party and how valuable are his services at this time on account of his long and wide experience. Representative business men and political leaders of the different Congressional districts who elected delegates to the national convention and it is my desire that they should work in harmony with Mr. P[illegible] in the interest of his leadership for the welfare of the State and nation."

STATE-WIDE PRIMARY

Next year will be an important one from a political viewpoint and many important offices in county, state and nation are to be filled. The primary election in which the candidates of the different parties are nominated will be held on Tuesday, May 16, 1916, says the Butler Eagle. At this elimination contest, delegates will be selected to nominate a president. At the same time, the electors will also vote directly for a United States Senator, State Treasurer, Auditor General, Judge of the Supreme Court to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Judge Elkins, assemblymen, senators in every odd numbered senatorial district in the state.

It is quite evident that it will be an important year politically and every voter should post himself so as to be able to vote intelligently at the primary and select men for the various offices who are qualified for the positions that they may seek.

Just what the reported sale of the Charleroi mine of the Carnegie Coal company will mean to the industrial future of the vicinity cannot now be told. Probably it will mean just the same that the original sale of the property did to the Carnegie Coal company some years ago. The purchasing concern is engaged extensively in the mining and selling of coal throughout Pennsylvania and Ohio. Their markets on the whole are about the same as those of the Carnegie Coal company, with the same sort of facilities for negotiating their sales. Both look to the western and lake trade. Probably the sale of the big plant will mean a continuance of operations along a similar scale to that of the Carnegie Coal company, with perhaps a little addition and this is all that is hoped for by Charleroi people.

What Charleroi and Donora both need is a connecting trolley line, forming a sort of loop through Eldora. It is a question for a live trade board to take up, and possibilities of it being worked to a satisfactory conclusion are worth while considering. Some years ago there was a movement on foot for the establishment of trolley connections through Eldora to Donora, but for some reason the matter was dropped. Donora and Monongahela have splendid through connections by trolley on a five cent fare, but with the up-river towns Donora is effectually cut off.

The suggestion has already been advanced that, if we are bound to have summer Chautauquas in the Monongahela valley—and they are conceded to be a good thing—we employ local people as talent. And why not? For instance what better in music quality has any Chautauqua bureau to offer than that which the Charleroi Symphony orchestra offered in its first concert this week.

PICKED UP IN PASSING

The Shakespeare Club held a debate at Hugus Hall last night on the question of "Resoved, That the Drama of Texas is Going Backward." Filigree Wright and Maisie Koots were for the positive and Lucia Hicks for the negative. Filigree led off and all were about convinced when Hep countered and swung the pendulum of public opinion vice versa. About that time Crooney Martin like [illegible] assessing the speakers and Constable Plee Brown tried to put him out. A fight followed that broke up the meeting.

The constable was knocked down four times, but he managed to eject Crooney outside by going out and hurling insulting epigrams at him until he emerged to continue the fight. Why is it that Delhi must have rough houses at its debates? If the same thing were to happen in New York the whole world would be scandalized. As it is, Delhi hasn't found out about the drama in Texas. The whole town is talking. There is much indignation—Delhi (Texas) Bazoo

Roy K. Moulton asks us an exchange: Will we never have these?

A woman's hat that will never go out of style.

A pair of shoes that will not run over at the heels.

A calendar that will not tell a woman how old she is getting.

A furnace fire that will not make any ashes.

A dollars worth of street car tickets that will last a month.

A dishpan under the ice box that will not run over, no matter how full it gets.

A dinner that will do for seven when three of those [illegible] "dropped in unexpectedly."

An alarm clock that will not go off at 6 o'clock on Sunday morning when one has inadvertently wound it Saturday night.

A device that will induce a dog not to howl at 4 o'clock when one doesn't have to arise until 7.

An auto that will not persist in blowing out when the driver has a party of friends out and is wearing his best clothes.

A doorbell that will indicate to the housewife when the caller is an agent who will try to sell her something she does not wish.

Boy's! Enter the prize contest, get your Erector outfit at Berryman's Store. 155t6

Electric Sparks

Probably if we should get penny postage our objections to the service would be as pronounced as ever.

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Any ordinary man can think he could run the house better than his wife, but it takes a wise man to refrain from telling her.

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The only one succeeding in recent years in making the Monongahela dry has been King Winter.

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The trouble with most prophets of great events is that they don't know enough to stop after being successful once.

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Football records were scattered around over the nation, and they tend to prove so were the remains of the football people.

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See Dictionary Please

We cudgeled our brain for a word
That would do as a rhyme for Xmas,
And settled our mind on a bird!
Hereafter Xmas we will excuss.
—Pittsburg Post.

* * *

Save the babies, advises Dr. Woods Hutchinson. Yes, save the babies, and [illegible] rest of us will try to take care of ourselves.

Go to our Big Toy Store for your Xmas Toys. Berryman's. 155t6

COUNTY CARING

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application comes from, starts an investigation and if the woman applying for help is found worthy the recommendation for assistance is made and the necessary blanks sent to the state department, which bears half the expense, while the county bears the other half. A check is made through the officers of the county commissioners, controller and treasurer. The board of directors also decide how much the woman applying for assistance shall receive.

The trustees have found that it is better to give assistance to as many as possible instead of giving the maximum allowed by law to each mother. An investigation is made every month and if conditions in the family have changed, the allowance is cut down and assistance given to some other family. In this way the women connected with the distribution of this fund aim to make the money go as far as possible.

The offices of the fund are at the Washington home of Mrs. H. H. Crace in Allison avenue. From the amount appropriated at first $500 is allowed for office furniture, etc., and as a result the women have fitted up neat but plain quarters. No more allowance is made for office furniture after the first year.

Mrs. Grace does not even receive rent for the office in her home. The trustees and officers of the fund, which are appointed yearly by the governor, are: Mrs. Frank Fish, Claysville, president; Miss Zuella McCutcheon, Washington, vice president; Miss Jeanette Dickson, Canonsburg, treasurer; Mrs. H. H. Grace, Washington, secretary; Mrs. Theodore Byers, Monongahela; Miss Minnie Richardson, Charleroi, Miss Sue Johns, McDonald. Each one of these women looks after any case that is received from her district.

While the last beneficiary has been made, this does not prohibit anyone from filing an application for aid, but the directors can give no assurance of immediate relief.

OPEN TO ALL

The opportunity to obtain prosperity and attain financial success is open to all thrifty people.

The savings of the pennies and small change put into a Holiday Savings Fund soon grows into dollars.

OUR NEW HOLIDAY SAVINGS FUND

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If you do not know about the plan, call at the Bank and we will explain it to you.

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100,000 Articles to Select From!

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1st. The perfection of the stone.
2nd. The color of the stone.
3rd. The cutting of the stone.
4th. And most important of all, the reliability of the store from which you buy it.

The first three reasons greatly affect the value of the stone. Some of these reasons are only discernible to an expert, and therefore in purchasing a diamond you must rely upon the person from whom you buy it.

That's why it pays to buy a stone at a reputable store like ours, for you then know what you are getting.

Study these items and remember that

We are Selling Diamonds, Pure Blue White, at $100.00 per Carat.

Any purchaser being dissatisfied with his stone may return same to us after one year, and we will refund his money, less 20 per cent. of the purchase price.

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NORTH CHARLEROI

Mrs. Stella Samples of Donora was a caller here this week.

Mrs. Anna Clark spent Wednesday in Speers.

Mrs. G. W. Paxton and Mrs. Charles Booth are numbered among the sick.

Mr and Mrs Elmer Houston are spending the day in Pittsburg.

Miss Elsie Richards of California spent Wednesday evening with Miss Grace Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hagerty were recent visitors in Sharon.

Mrs. W. F. Planton has returned home after visiting relatives at Blythedale.

Mrs. Clarence Fell and daughter, Dorthy of Brownsville, Mrs. Emma Vaughn of Monongahela and Frank Baldwin of Donora were guests at the home of the former's sister, Mrs. George Dennis.

Mrs. George Kline isvisiting relatives at Rices Landing.

Mr. Davis Woodward, Mr. Junior Rockwell and Mrs. Charles Cotton were callers in Pittsburg Tuesday.

John Myers was abusiness caller in Donora Wednesday evening.

Mrs. William McCreary of Monessen visited relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Kisinger were Wednesday callers in Pittsburg.

Miss Myrtle Dunmire visited friends in Belle Vernon.

Charles Heith of Donora visited at the home of his sister Mrs. Jeffries.

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Thinks Teeth Worth $5,000

Alleging she lost six teeth when knocked down by an automobile, Miss Emma Monsour, aged 16 of Brownsville has filed a suit in the Fayette county courts against John Jenny for $5.000.

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SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE

FEDERAL ANTI-TRUST ACT WILL HAVE NOTABLE EFFECT

Because the Federal anti-trust act, known as the Claytonbill, will become operative October 15, 1916, great changes in the directorates of many banking institutions are anticipated following the annual elections to be held by banks and trust companies on January 11. The Clayton act prohibits interlocking directorates among banking institutions having deposits, capital, surplus and undivided profits aggregating more than $5,000,000; that is, no private banker nor person who is a director in any such bank or trust company is eligible to be a director in any other banking institution organized and operating under the Federal laws. The act also specifies that no person shall be an officer or employe of more than one bank or trust company which has deposits, capital, surplus and undivided profits aggregating more than $1,000,000

WINDOW GLASS TRADE EXPORT TRADE HEAVY; GETTING HEAVIER

Not One Fourth of Demand Supplied —Full Turns Being Worked At Monongahela.

The statement is made that window glass stocks of the world are lower at present than at any time in history and that all the glass that has so far been exported does not equal one-fourth of the demand. The confident prediction is made that during the year the exports from this country will amount to 2,000,000 boxes.

It is further said that a year must elapse before foreign manufacturers will be able to supply their local demand or defend it from American competition in those markets.

At the Wightman plant of the American Window glass company at Monongahela everybody is busy and full turns are being worked. Structural steel for new flattening ovens has been placed and the bricklayers are now at work putting in the walls. When this work is completed it will mean much to the output of the dry plate photo glass works.

Buy one of our $25 Ladies Suits at $15. Our finest goods. A sensible gift at Berryman's. 155t6

MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION HOLDS MONTHLY MEETING

The Charleroi Ministerial Association held its monthly meeting in the study of the Washington Avenue Presbyterian church Wednesday afternoon when the regular monthly business of the session was taken up Dr. W. G. Mead of the Methodist Episcopal church presented a paper, "The Preacher to the Poet—Debtor." This was the only paper of the afternoon and was a discussion of Dr. Mead's acquaintance with the poets.

Buy Christmas things at the Big Charleroi Store—Berryman's. 155t6

EVERYTHING IN READINESS FOR THE MOOSE BAZAAR

Everything is progressing to a successful issue for the presentation of the Moose Bazaar to be held in the Moose home seven days commencing Christmas afternoon at 2:30.

John W. Moore who has been engaged by the Moose to manage the bazaar reports progress in the line of attractions in fact the applications are more than can be spaced in the Moose home. This together with Pancooks orchestra and dancing will furnish a very attractive entertainment.

HOUSTON WOMAN DIES AT AGE OF 99 YEARS

Mrs. Mary Miller in her 99th year, died Wednesday at the home of A. T. Halft at Houston. She was born and reared in the Canonsburg section being a daughter of the late John Watson. Her father was a member of the first town council at Canonsburg in 1802 and he also served on the first school board in that borough. He was later a justice of the peace for several years. Mrs. Miller's husband was James Miller, who died 70 years ago, she having been a widow almost four-score years.

LEADING FARM CROPS WORTH $6,270,465,000

This year's principal farm crops were worth $6,270,465,000 at December 1 farm prices, the department of agriculture has announced. The 1915 American wheat crop will total 1,011,505,000 bushels, against 891,017,000 bushels in 1914. The year's corn crop shows 3,054,535,000 bushels, against 2,672,804,000 in 1914. Cotton for 1915 shows 11,161,000 bales, against 16,135.000 last year.

NATION HAD EXALTED IDEAS

Pyramids and Temples of Early Mexican Race Reveal Much to Student of Religion.

Religion and superstition are much combined in the mind of the Mexicans, the result of both ancient and modern creeds. As to the antique beliefs and cult, there is much that appeals to the philosopher in the religious structures and history of the prehistoric, semi-civilized peoples of Mexico, or indeed of Spanish-America, whether North or South.

The pyramids and temples which the Toltecs and the Aztecs and the Incas built have something grand and broad underlying their main idea, the idea of being able to get on their temples rather than in them.

There is ever a source of inspiration in being upon the point of an eminence, to commune with providence, rather than being immured within some gloomy walls, with toppling spires overhead. The spirit ever tries to get out, to ascend, and is exalted in accordance with its altitude.

Did not Moses at Sinai bring forth the enduring Decalogue from the summit of a great natural pyramid, rather than from the gloomy interior of a temple?

The exceedingly numerous pyramids throughout ancient Mexico seem to attest some exalted idea of a natural religion which found outlet and habitation in the great Teocallis.—New York Telegram.

A note or two from our varied stock of Furniture and Household goods especially fashioned for

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In bronze, mat kid, velvet (velvet is it now)

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Be Practical---Give Footwear

We suggest farther for the whole family: Comfort Shoes, Business Shoes, Storm Shoes Dress Shoes, School Shoes. Slippers; Boudoir Slippers, Bath Slippers, Felt Slippers, Romeos, Everetts, Juliets, Rubbers, Artics, School Rubbers. Rubber Boots, &c, &c.

We'll make any exchange desired after Christmas and do it with the greatest pleasure.

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2 doors below Bank of Charleroi

Bits of Byplay

By Luke McLuke

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The Mystery.

"What is the mystery connected with that new advertised mystery novel?" asked the old fogy.

"Well," replied the grouch, "after reading it it seems to me that the mystery is how the author ever found a publisher."

Gaining Experience.

Real wisdom may come in a flash
Who toils from sun to sun,
But we learn less by doing than
We learn by being done.

The Wise Fool.

"A man should always try to keep ahead of the game," observed the sage.

"Not always," corrected the fool. "How about the man who goes hunting?"

Advice.

Here's some advice, both trite and sound,
That you should oft repeat.
While love may make the world go round,
It won't make both ends meet.

Paw Knows Everything.

Willie—Paw, what is the liquor question?

Paw—The liquor question, my son, is "What'll you have?"

Oh, Heck!

"My Willie is an angel," said
His maw of Willie Rood.
"The child insists that he be fed
Each day on angel food'".

Huh!

Dear Luke: A lady came into my optical office to have her eyes examined last week. When she was leaving I asked her name, and she told me that she was Mrs. Clara Seeright of Jeffersontown, Ky.—J. S. J., Louisville.

Help!

"I'll write a nice suite
Song," said Matt,
"And sing it in the
Key of F-lat." —R. S. T.

Is That So!

As long as most of our women folks would rather stay home and play "This little pig went to market" with the baby's toes just to hear the baby laugh than go out just to hear a suffragette talk there won't be very much the matter with this country.—Luke McLuke in Cincinnati Enquirer.

And as long as the majority of the men would rather stay at home and help the mothers get the babies to sleep and see that they are tucked in cozy and warm than to go to some loafing place down town and discuss the tariff and baseball, the country will be pretty sure to go along in the right channels for a long time to come.—Wilmington (O.) Journal-Republican.

John D. Helps John D.

Dear Luke—Did you know that John D. Helps is the manager of the Standard Oil company at Juneau, Alaska?—W. C. J., Juneau.

Hooray!

Ima Cook won honors for the best jelly at the Dallas fair.—Temple (Tex.) Telegram.

Scat!

Dear Luke—Does Tom Catt of Hazelton, Ind., get in?—Smitty.

Things to Worry About.

Wisconsin leads in the manufacture of limburger cheese.

Names Is Names.

Miss Vera Sharp lives at Hensonville, Ky.

Our Daily Special.

The longer you nurse babies and troubles the larger they grow.

Luke McLuke Says:

Never monkey with a buzz saw and never dispute the word of a 250 pound woman when she announces that she weighs 150 pounds.

We are all eager to give the devil his due. But we are not so considerate with our creditors.

The old fashioned man who used to be known as the breadwinner now has a son who is known as the dough loser.

It is possible to give a girl a bad scare after she has been curing onions. But it is impossible to [illegible] away.

A married man's idea of an ideal wife would be the one who would believe every word he told her when he roamed home at four bells in the morning.

If a girl can't land the fellow she wants she starts fishing for the fellow some other girl wants.

The aeroplane is getting so steady and so safe that the time may come when the fool killer will have to rely on the automobile as his one best bet.

It hurts a man almost as much to wear shoes that are too small as it hurts a woman to wear shoes that are too large.

You can't make a small boy believe it. But there are plenty of good detectives who never wore a set of false whiskers.

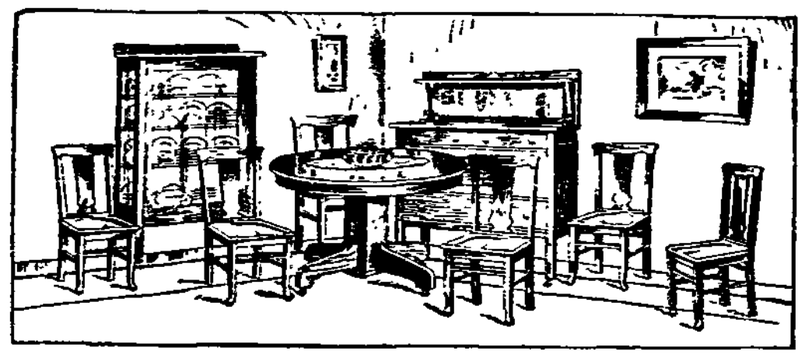
Cheer up! Even if you did happen to make an error always remember that the biggest errors are made by the experts.

Pray for the things you would like to have, and then go out and hustle for the things you have to have.

An old fashioned woman gets mad all over when she reads of a case in which a wife is supporting a husband.

PAY US ON PAY DAY

FULL MATCHED DINING ROOM SUITE



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Bring the PICTURE with you and ask to see the Dining Room Set, as shown above, for the small sum of

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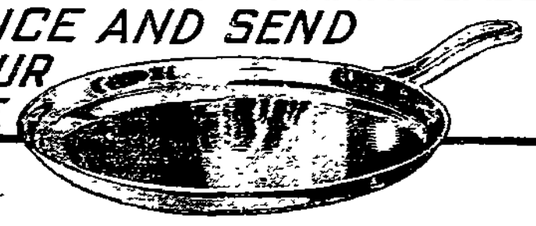
$2.25 SOLID ALUMINUM GRIDDLE FOR 85 CENTS IN CASH AND LABELS FROM 50 CENTS WORTH OF KARO—*GET YOUR KARO LABELS AT ONCE AND SEND FOR YOUR GRIDDLE*



EVERYBODY these days knows aluminum ware—the highest priced and the most satisfactory kitchen ware used in this country.

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This Aluminum Griddle needs *no greasing.* It heats uniformly all over; it doesn't smoke up the house; it doesn't chip; it doesn't rust and it looks so much better and cleaner than any of the old kind of griddles.

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At great expense we are seeking to place a Karo Aluminum Griddle in the homes of all Karo users, so that Karo—the famous spread for griddle cakes and waffles—may be served on the most deliciously baked cakes that can be made.

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The problem of what to give may be easily solved by a visit to this store. You will find it filled with attractive and practicle articles for gifts. Things you would like to have or receive yourself—useful gifts that will be appreciated long after the Holiday season.

Everything is so reasonably priced that you'll find a quick and economical solution of what to give that will be truly appreciated.

Come in and look as long and as often as you wish—come early while the choosing is at its best.

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Cranberries, per quart 15c

For Christmas Baking—
Seeded raisins, 2 packages for 25c
Seedless raisins and currants, per package 15c
Citron, lemon and orange peel

For the Finish of the Feast—
Heinz plum pudding, 2 sizes; Knox and Plymouth gelatine; canned peaches, apricots, cherries and pears.

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Sunkist Naval oranges, large, per dozen 40c
Florida oranges, per dozen ..... 17c, 20c and 25c
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Holly wreaths, each 15c
Pine wreaths, each 10c, 3 for 25c
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AUG. MAHIEU 317 Fifth St. Charleroi, Pa

TELL OF STRANGE MEETINGS

Doctors and Nurses Relate Remarkable Happenings Occurring in the Military Hospitals.

The long arm of coincidence was never more strikingly illustrated than by the remarkable cases of hospital reunions related by the commanding officer of the Welsh General Military Hospital. Recently a nurse entered one of the wards, calling the name of a certain soldier who was due to take his medicine. In response to the call a man sat up in one of the beds, but further inquiry showed that although the surname was the same, the Christian name was different from that of the man she was seeking, says London Tit-Bits.

At that moment the right man, who was well enough to hobble about, arrived upon the scene, and then, to the amazement of the nurse and the other occupants of the ward, the patients recognized each other as brothers who had not met for many years. What is more extraordinary still, the two brothers had been in the same ward for several days without either being aware of the other's presence.

Even more extraordinary is the case of two men in another ward, who, when the roll was called, suddenly recognized one another as chums who some years ago joined the colors the same day. They had been close chums in the ranks, but subsequently drifted apart through the drafting of one of them on foreign service, to find themselves reunited in adjoining beds in the Welsh Military hospital.

On comparing notes a further string of coincidences was discovered. The two men unaware of each other's presence at the front, had been wounded the same day, taken to the same base hospital, brought home in the same ship, carried to the same train and finally placed next to one another in the same ward of a home hospital.

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With Interest

Members paying 50 cents a week fixed for fifty weeks, get $25.00
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With Interest

Be one of the first on the list. Start when the club starts. Get your friends to start with you.

It costs you nothing to join. All you have to do to become a member is to make the first payment. You may join as many classes as you desire

Charleroi Savings & Trust Co.

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Warms the Bedroom in a Jiffy

It's no fun to crawl out of your warm bed and have to dress in a cold room while your teeth chatter and chills run up and down your spine. You stand a mighty good chance of catching a cold or the grippe—yes, even pneumonia. And it's not at all necessary.

Get a Perfection Oil Heater and in a few minutes your bedroom will be as warm as toast and make dressing a pleasure instead of a misery. And if there's an infant in the house, night after night you'll bless the convenience of a

PERFECTION
Smokeless Oil Heater

Why, it'll warm baby's milk in a jiffy and save you many a cold midnight trip to the kitchen. It's economical, too. You don't have to keep piling the coal in the furnace simply to keep one room warm.

The Perfection burns kerosene, the most economical fuel you can buy. It will not smoke, soot or create unpleasant odors. There are no ashes to bother with. Can be safely carried from room to room when lighted. The best results are obtained by using Atlantic Rayolight Oil.

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Just as some milks are richer, creamier and more wholesome than others, so also kerosenes differ in their desirable qualities.

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One of our best boy's suits free if one of the first three prizes in the great Erector contest comes from an outfit sold by this store. Berryman's. 155t6

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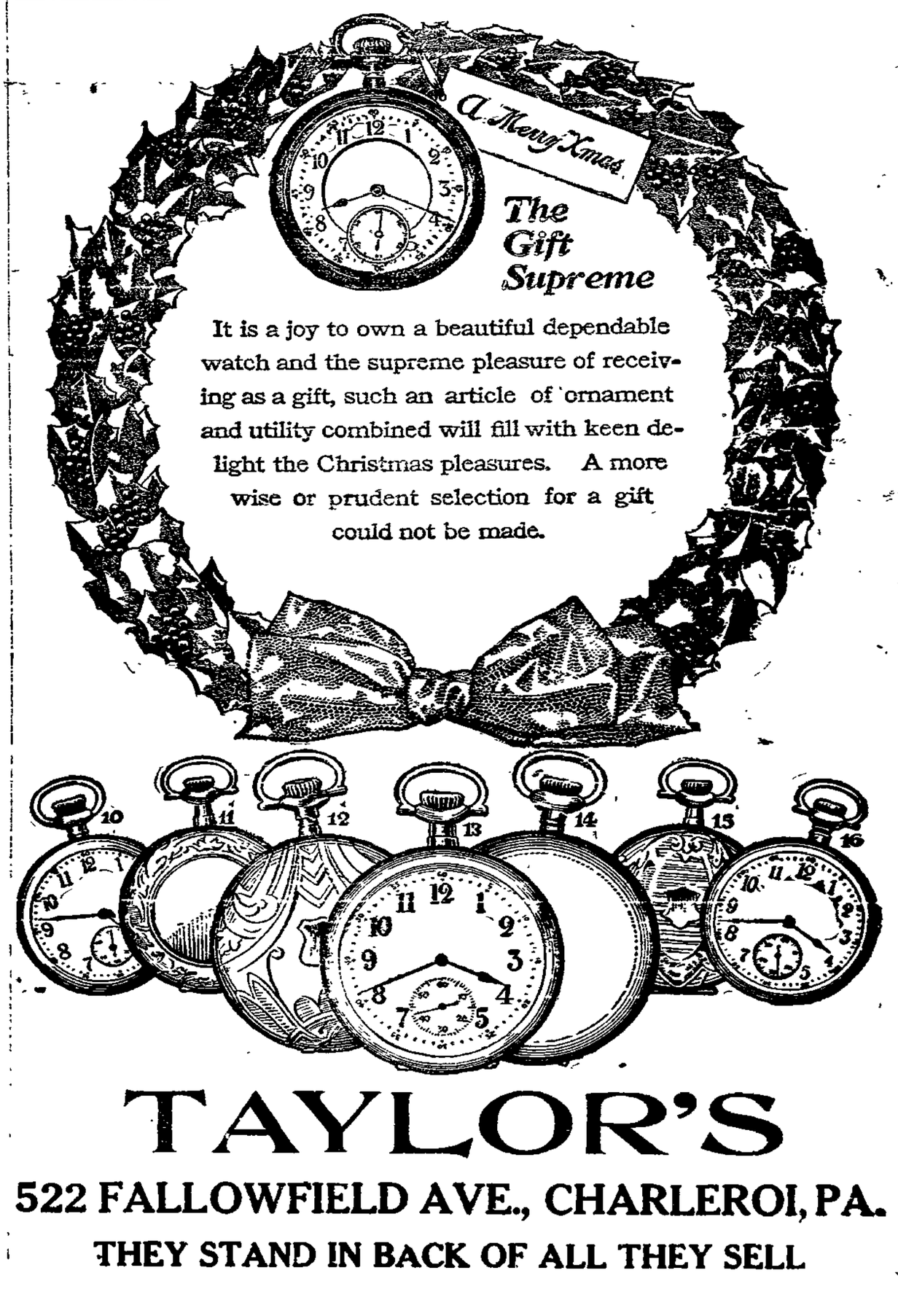
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Is filled to overflowing with the best kind of goods for gift purposes, all marked at prices that make it profitable for you to do your Christmas buying here. Our new Toy Department has proved a wonderful attraction to both old and young, and it is the most interesting spot in the store. But every department is here and ready with filled stocks to help you with your gift list. We have increased our force, and you will find our helpers are real helpers, rendering prompt, careful, efficient and cheerful service. We invite you one and all to come here to do your Christmas shopping. Store opens at 8:30 A. M., and the best hours are in the morning. Read our ads. Tell the boys about the wonderful toy, Erector, like structural steel, and also about the wonderful prizes, and how they may get besides one of our Boys' Best Suits. It's a real contest. Get into it, boys.

BOOKS

Christmas books of all kinds for men, women, boys, girls and new books for baby.

25c Books—All the good, live, clean, readable books are here in special series for girls and a special series for boys.

50c. Here we give you reprints of books that sold only recently at $1.35 to $1.50.

Note some of them.

Laddie.
The Celebrity.
The Iron Trail.
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And hundreds of others.

A FASHIONABLE WAIST

A Welcome Gift

In our waist department we show many very pretty waists, Crepe de Chene, Messalin and Taffeta. These make splendid gifts. A line of beautiful waists at $2.25 to $4.50.

SILK PETTICOATS

Just received a line of new petticoats for Xmas giving. Blue, Black and Changeable, $2.00, $2.50 to $5.00.

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Skating Skirts are now the craze. We've just received a goodly lot of these in the famous Korrect line. Fancy Plaids, very stylish, $5.00 to $7.50.

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These come in very highly colored cloths and we've put them up in Christmas boxes, with slippers to match.

SWEATERS

Nothing could be better than sweaters and we have them for all the ages from baby up to grandma. Sweaters 50c, $1.00, $1.25, $3.00 to $8.00.

CHRISTMAS RUGS

Rugs are a surprise indeed, but many a home will be surprised with one of these splendid Rugs. $2.75, $4.00, $4.50, $10 to $65 each.

SILK HOSE

Here is one of our leading departments. We carry almost exclusively the Kayser Silk Hose, which is without doubt the best in the market. 50c. $1.25. $1.50. $2.00 to $2.50.

KAYSER SILK GLOVES

Blacks, White and Colors. The pattented and guaranteed finger tip. 50c, 75c, and $1.00.

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Everything Here to Amuse Boys as well as Girls

Our New Toy Department, filled with Toys and everypiece new—Hundreds of Toys for Children of all ages.

The first toys sold by this store for over four years—but we have gone into it twice.—We have given a whole basement store up to displaying the interesting toys and games that the Children love so well. This Toy Department is the talk of the town.—We invite you.—Bring the Children. Don't delay, first selections are always best.

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We have a wonderful line of these trains—you wind up the engine and we want to say it is a real engine that will make glad any real boy—they are strong and not easily broken—with them go cars and track—also we can supply extra track—switches etc. They make nice gifts for boys.

Mechanical Trains $1.00, $1.50, $1.75, $2.00, $2.50
Track for Mechanical Train .....5c a section
Double Switch .....$1.00 pair
Crossover tracks .....35c each
Tunnels 25 cents. Stations, Farms and Villages.

WIND-UP TOYS

They go and cut up all sorts of capers. Donkeys, Beetles, Autos, Mules, Bucking Bronco, Adam the Dancer. These very amusing toys do so capture the little fellows and they must not be missed.

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UMAKEM TOYS—A very instructive toy, contains a handle and saw, you can saw out in wood the pictures from comic papers or copy anything on wood and then saw it out. The boys like them.

FOLDING BEDS—We have now a big shipment of Doll Beds at 25c, 50c and $1.00.

CHINA DISHES—In sets for little girls, nicely decorated 25c, 50c, $1.00, $1.50.

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IRON TOYS—Fire Engines and Hook and Ladder, Dump Wagons and Hose Carts, Banks, 25c, 50c, $1.00, $1.50.

STOVES—Look just like Mammas, 25c, 50c, $1.00, $1.50 to $3.50.

LEAD SOLDIERS—These are American made toys and good quality, 25c, 50c. $1.00 and $2.00.

Boxing Gloves and Striking Bags, Chairs, Tables, Rockers, Desks, Sleds. The flexible steering kind. Better hurry on sleds. First shipment almost gone. $1.00, $1.25, $1.50 and $1.75.

Krokinole Boards. Archerina Boards. Shoo Flies, Hobby Horses, Tool Chests, Friction Toys, Stick Horses, Soldiers and Policeman Outfits, Schoenhut Wooden Dolls. $1. $2, $2.50.

Pianos, 25c. 50c, $1.00. $2.00, $3.00.

Piano Stools, 25c. 50c.

Humpty Dumpty Balancing Toys.

GIFT SUGGESTIONS

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Linen Towels 25c, 50c, 75c and $1.00. Linen Table Cloths by the piece or by the yard. Extra value. Turkish towels 25c, 50c. One lot $2.00. Cushions $1.00. Sweet Grass Baskets 75c, to $2.25. Work Boxes 25c, 50c, $1.00. Toilet Cases 25c, 50c, $1.00. Ivory Novelties 50c, $1.00. Silver Novelties 50c $1.00 and $1.50. Dinner Gongs, Salt and Peppers, and Mustards. Smokeing sets and stands $1.25. Silk Petticoats in colors or black. Crepe Kimonas and other kimonas, all pretty $1.00 to $2.00.

DON'T FORGET THE BABY'S CHRISTMAS

Rattles and Dolls, Booties and Mittens, Sweaters and Leggins, Knit Caps, Vests and Dresses, Baby Caps and Hoods. Baby Stockings, Underwear and Slips. We've plenty of things for baby.

WINTER COATS

Winter coats for School girl $3, $4.00, $5.00, $6.00, $10.00.

For a good warm, practical coat for school wear. Zibeline mixtures, Corduroys. Ages 1 to 6 and 6 to 14 years.

WINTER FURS

Here we show you a splendid item for Christmas Giving and these new furs with the new band shape muffs are just what you want. Child's sets $1.50, $2.00 and up. Misses and Ladies sets at $10.00, $12.50, $15.00, $20.00, $25.00, $40.00.

KID GLOVES

We are again running our celebrated Capitol Glove for ladies at $1.25.

Our Florine Kid glove at $1.85 is the best glove on the market at this price.

LADIES' NECKWEAR

Every Christmas there is a big demand for something new, real and handsome in ladies neckwear. Better come soon and see the pretty and dressy styles we show at 25c. 50c, $1.00 to $2.00.

MARABON MUFFS & SCARFS

Just received these pretty things this week. So very handsome you'll fall in love with them.

All The Appropriate Gifts

FOR MEN and BOYS

Here we have a Men's Store and its filled with all that is newest and best. Things that Men like, and the Boys like too. Better come here for Men's Gifts, for we have the good kind.

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A big item here—we sell a wonderful lot at Xmas so you get yours here this time. $1.00, $1.50, $2.00, $2.50.

MEN'S CAPS
A very nobby line of Caps and Hats for Men and Boys. Make good gifts at 25c, 50c and $1.00.

HATS
The New Hats are about the snappiest things in Men's Wear. Take a good look. They'll do. $2.00, $2.50, $3.00.

NECK TIES
Hundreds of ties. A grand selection of the most up-to-date styles ever seen in the town Here is the place for Boys and Men's Ties.
25c. 50c, $1.00 and $1.50.

SHIRTS
And shirts are always acceptable and we carry the old reliable Eagle Shirt. Never knew a man to refuse one and they are so neat and pretty.
$1.00, $1.50, $2.00.

Christmas Handkerchiefs

Great Stock of Handkerchiefs for Ladies', Children and Men

Handkerchiefs are easily in the lead of all other items for Christmas giving. Here we can show you some splendid values this year. Dainty, sheer, desirable handkerchiefs and so put up that you can get just what you want and at the price to suit. We've prepared for a big handkerchief business, 5c, 10c, 25c and 50c.

Christmas boxes, so very dainty for Xmas giving, at 10c and 15c. Others still better per box 25c, 50c, and $1.00.

Don't overlook the men and boys on socks, suspenders, gloves, handkerchiefs, umbrellas, underwear, shirts, overcoats and suits. Real Christmas gifts and we would say, come soon and make your selection. This big men's department can supply your wants.

Initial handkerchiefs for men and women. Don't overlook them, but get your orders in at once and come early and often. Let us know your wants. The big store will stay on the job to the last minute.

S. H. GREEN TRADING STAMPS ON ALL CASH PURCHASES

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MRS. MARIAN E. COLLINS DIES AT MONONGAHELA

Mrs. Marian Elizabeth Collins, wife of Thomas M. Collins, died Wednesday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. O. B. Coleman of Monongahela. Death followed a long illnesss of a comlication of diseases. She was 59 years old.

The daughter of the late John and Katherine Scanlon, Mrs. Collins was born in Kingston, Canada in 1856. In 1880 she was united in marriage with Mr. Collins and came to the United States about 30 years ago. For some time Mr. and Mrs. Collins resided in Buffalo, N. Y. and then came to Monongahela where Mrs.Collins had since made her home.

Mrs. Collins was well known. She was a member of the Roman Catholic Church of the Transfiguration and was one of its oldest members.

She leaves her husband and one son and two daughters, Edward of Panama; Mrs. Oliver B. Coleman and Mrs. Andrew Glasser of Monongahela. Two sisters and one brother also survive, Mrs. Katherine Sullivan of Kingston, Can.; Mrs. Michael Koen of Watertown, N. Y. and T. R. Scanlon, of Lancaster, O.

The services will be held Friday morning at 10 o'clock in the Roman Catholic church of the Transfiguration. Requiem high mass will be obsesrved. Interment will be in Calvary cemetery.

Buy Christmas things at the Big Charleroi Store—Berryman's. 155t6

CHARLEROI MUSICIANS WILL PLAY IN BROWNSVILLE RECITAL

Two Charleroi musicians will appear with an orchestra composed of well known players at a sacred recital to be given at the Methodist Episcopal church at Brownsville on January 2. They will be Alfred Lange, violinist, and Alfred Horn, violo player. The orchestra will consist of several pieces, including the organ and piano. Mr. Lange and Mr. Horn, both of whom are prominent members of the Charleroi Symphony orchestra are popular musicians locally and through their work have gained considerable fame. Both are of German extraction and both receive their musical education in famous musical centers of Germany.

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CANTATA PROGRAM TOMORROW NIGHT TO BE ONE OF BEST

The complete program for the sacred cantata performance to be given at the Methodist Episcopal church under the direction of A. H. Bosson, tomorrow evening is as follows: Organ prelude, Mrs. Floyd Chalfant; anthem, "O Sing to God," Gounod, chorus with orchestra accompaniment; tenor solo, "Oh Was There Ever Loneliness" from "Olivet to Calvary," Maunder, C .C. Humphries; baritone horn solo, "Grand Air Varie," Dupont, E. Dupont; soprano and tenor duet, "A Song of Praise," Goublier, Miss Mary Glunt, Earl Nicholson; violin colo, Alfred Lange; cantata, "In Excelsis," chorus with orchestra accompaniment. For the cantata proper the solos will be handled by Miss Mary Glunt, Miss Elizabeth Frew. Mrs. A. G. Lewis, Miss Helen Woodhall. Miss Price G. Frye, Joseph Pearson and [illegible] A. Nicholson.

BELL-M'GOWAN NUPTIALS TAKE PLACE IN PITTSBURG

Announcements have been issued of the marriage of Mrs. Florence McGowan and Holley Bell of North Charleroi. The couple were wedded in Pittsburg by Rev. Alexander of a Presbyterian church. They will live in North Charleroi. Mrs. Bell has been a resident of North Charleroi for several years. Her husband is a government man at Lock No. 4.

Notice.

Members of Charleroi Aerie No. 390, Fraternal Order of Eagles, will please attend a special meeting to be held in the Social Parlors, McKean avenue, Charleroi, Pa., on Friday, December 17. 1915 at 7:30 p. m. sharp. By order of

F. J. Falise, Sr.,
Worthy President.
156-t1

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Clark were in Pittsburg Heights Wednesday to attend the funeral of Miss Lizzie Taggart.

Mrs. Herman Hotz visited with her sister Mrs. Robert Lowe of Donora Wednesday.

Mrs. W. J. McCook of Third street spent Wednesday in Pittsburg.

Mrs. H. A. Huepel and daughter Miss Marie of Lincoln avenue were Pittsburg visitors Thursday.

Mrs. Thomas McDermott and daughter Miss Cecelia of Crest avenue visited in Pittsburg Wednesday.

Miss Nelle Ryland of Lutherville has arrived to spend the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Ryland of Meadow avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hott of Lincoln avenue spent Thursday in Pittsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. James S. Russel of Washington avenue visited at Pittsburg Wednesday.

Mrs. Frank J. John of Lincoln avenue was a caller in Pittsburg Thursday.

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BARRASS GETS PRIZES ON CHICKENS AT UNIONTOWN

In one of the highest class poultry shows ever held in western Pennsylvania at Uniontown this week, John Barrass, a well known chicken fancier of Dunlevy entered 18 fowls and on 15 of them he secured ribbons. He secured the award for the second pen single comb white leghorns. He took the fifth pen, second cockerel, and the fifth, sixth and seventh hen. His winnings were considered especially good.

Buy Christmas things at the Big Charleroi Store—Berryman's. 155t6

The Dorcas Class of the M. E. church will hold a bake sale at Nicholson's grocery Saturday afternoon December 18 at 2 o'clock. 156-t2

DANCERS TAKE NOTICE

Tucellie's Orchestra in addition to their regular Saturday Night Dances in Might's Auditorium, Charleroi, will give four special dances, Christmas Eve. and Christmas Night. New Years Eve and New Years Night. Right to regulate attendance reserved.

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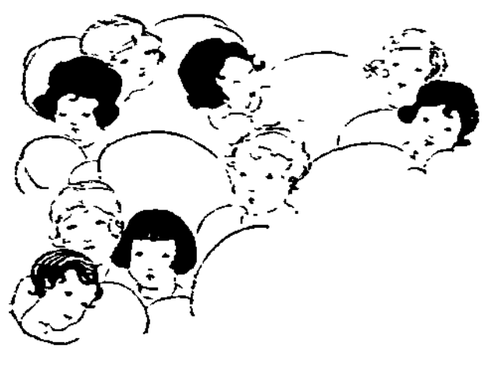

This store has been thronged with Christmas Shoppers and it will be more thronged the week to come---still we want all the children to come and see all the new toys that so delight the little ones. We want all to come---old and young, big and little. We will always do our best to serve your every wish.

The Tiny Infant Must Have Gifts Too

Yes indeed, the Baby must not be forgotten and its your part to make the selection and it is here at this store so let us help you for Baby.

In our Second Floor Infant Department you will find dainty dresses and skirts either long or short. Slips, nighties, caps, kimonas and bath robes. Also we show a lot of attractive play-things in our Toy basement. Also combs and brush sets, knitted sacques, booties, mittens, leggins and sweaters and baby coats.

Toilet Sets Ideal for Christmas Gifts

We are able to show you a most desirable line of these useful toilet sets, put up in dainty silk lined boxes for lady or miss. Teey are surely nice for Christmas. Toilet cases $1, $1.50, $2.50 $3.50 to $7.50. Manicure sets $1, $1.50, $2 to $5. Combination sets comb and brush $1, $2 to $5. Military sets at $1, $1.50, $2.50. Traveling cases 25c, 50c, $1 to $2.

WISS—that's the name of the manufacturer of scissors and other fine steel products. If you want scissors that are sharp and will stay sharp buy Wiss scissors. These are also put up in cases.

BLANKETS.

Ever since this store started we-ve sold our good blankets for Xmas giving. It pays to give good blankets and that is the kind to buy. If a blanket sees twenty years wear. it is some blanket! eh! We can show the goods.

See our plain blankets and our plaid blankets. Prices $2.95. $3.50, $4.50, $5.00, to $8.00.

COMFORTABLES.

Yes, we suggest a nice warm comfort as a very acceptable gift. We have them in all the good colors. Some knotted and some sewed quilts. Prices range at $1.00, $1.50, $2.00, $2.50, $3.00, $3.50, to $5.00.

LINENS.

Ready made table cloths are always good for Xmas. They are serviceable and every family needs them. We can supply some very beautiful Table Cloths.

Table Cloth Sets include the Cloth and Twelve Napkins to match. Some are plain and some hemstitched but all at less than todays value. Prices range:

Cloth and Napkins at $4.50, $5.00, $6.00, $7.50, $10.00, $12.50 and $15.00.

Linen Table Cloths at $2.50 and $2.75.

Linen Towels are big items for Christmas. at 25c, 50c, 75c and $1.00.

Turkish Towels with fancy border 25c, 50c and $1.00.

Stamped Linens of all kinds with all the necessary flosses to finish them.

RUGS.

Yes, we advise rugs for Christmas. You may need a new Carpet or Rug and why not get it now. We have over 100 Rugs on display in room sizes. They range in price at $13.50, $15.00, $16.50, $17.50, $20.00, $22.50, $25.00 up to $65.00.

Hearth Rugs are here in big variety and at most any prices to suit you. $2.00, $2.50, $3.50, $4.50, $5.00, $6.00 to $8.00.

Lace Curtains also make good gifts and they range in price at $1.00, $1.50, $2.00, $3.00, $5.00.

Door Panel at 25c and 50c.

Scrim, Marquesette, Swiss and other curtain goods by the yard. Always good. They will be very acceptable for gifts. Prices range 15c, 20c, 25c, 35c, 50c.

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FOR SALE—Side board, good as new 216 Fallowfield avenue. 157-t3p

LOST—Neckpiece for set of furs between Beallsville and Charleroi-Monessen bridge. Reward if returned to 655 Mail. 157-t3p

WANTED—Experienced girl for general housework. Inquire 330 Washington avenue. 157-tf

We are especially anxious to have you examine our ladies watch bracelets. See advertisement on page 13 and 14. 157-t1

SEVERAL TO TAKE

(Continued from page one.)

ance for the Steel Corporation, declared that its annual payroll in Pennsylvania alone is $90,000,000 a year and $220,000,000 is its total annual payroll. He asserted that its employes number 100,000 or one-fifteenth of the working population of the state.

S. W. Shaw, who presented the application for exemption from insurance of the Jones & Laughlin Steel Company of Pittsburg and subsidiary companies, declared that it was the intention of that company to conform with the compensation law in every respect and assist the board in every possible manner.

Western Pennsylvania referees appointed and the counties they will have jurisdiction over follows: Jacob Snyder, District No. 6, including Cambria, Blair, Huntingdon, Mifflin, Juniata, Fulton, Bedford and Somerset counties, headquarters Altoona; Charles H. Young, District No. 7, including Erie, Warren, McKean, Elk, Forest, Venango, Mercer and Crawford counties, headquarters Erie; J. E. Christley, Butler, and Thomas J. Dunn. Pittsburg to District No. 8, including Lawrence, Butler, Clarion, Jefferson, Indiana, Armstrong, Westmoreland, Fayette, Greene, Washington, Beaver and Allegheny counties, headquarters Pittsburg.

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PERSONALS

Miss Olivia Connelly has recovered from an attack of appendicitis.

Dr. T. M. Faddis was in Pittsburg to visit his sister who is a patient at the Allegheny General hospital.

Miss Bertha Easter of California was a visitor here Thursday evening to attend the Musical Auxiliary meeting and Christmas tree.

Marriage licenses have been granted at Washington to Miss Elsie E. Kunig of Monessen and Andrew W. Scott of North Charleroi,to Miss Nina L. Simpson of Charleroi and Levi A. Woods of North Charleroi and to Miss Frances Allsopp and David R. Sullivan both of Charleroi.

Mrs. D. E. Sloan of Crest avenue was a caller in Pittsburg Friday.

Mrs. Emma Dawson went to Burgettstown Friday to organize a Loyal Temperance legion.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Jenkins and daughter Mary Evelyn visited at Pittsburg Thursday.

Mrs. Georgianna Coles spent Friday in Pittsburg.

Mrs. W. H. Zellars was a caller in Pittsburg Thursday.

Miss Ruth Majors of Donora visited with friends in Charleroi Thursday.

Come to Porters and make your selection where competent and courteous clerks will assist you in making your selection. 157-t1

THINKS TOWNSHIP WAS NEGLIGENT WITH ROAD

Automobile Owner Sues to Recover 5,000 Alleged Due by Reason of Injuries Received When He Tumbled Over Bank.

C. E. Stewart Thursday filed a suit for $5,000 damages against the township of Nottingham as the result of injuries he sustained when an automobile, in which he was driving went off the road in the defendant township, known as the Big Mingo creek road.

The accident occurred on October 27, 1915. The plaintiff states that on that date he was driving his car along this road, using care and precaution. Nothwithstanding, he avers for some reason the car dropped over the lower side of the road, upset and rolled over the steep embankment below the road.

The plaintiff states he was severely injured about his back, shoulders, arms and sides, two of his ribs were broken and he was rendered unconscious. As a result of the injuries, he further says, he has been unable to follow his occupation as a laborer on a sawmill and has been put to much expense for professional treatment.

The township is alleged to have been negligent in not maintaining and keeping the road in proper and safe condition at the point where the accident occurred.

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MANY TICKETS SOLD FOR CANTATA TONIGHT

Program of Much Musical Merit to Precede Rendition of "In Excelsis" At Methodist Episcopal Church.

Many tickets have been sold for the cantata "In Excelsis," to be given at the Methodist Episcopal church tonight. Features of a program to precede the cantata will be a praise anthem, "O Sing to God," Gounod by the chorus choir, a tenor solo by C. C. Humphries, a duet by Miss Mary Glunt, soprano and Earl Nicholson, tenor, a baritone horn solo by E. Dupont and a violin solo by Alfred Lange. A. H. Bosson will direct the cantata, with Mrs. Floyd Chalfant as organist and accompanist.

WAS QUITE TOO THOUGHTFUL

Husband Who Received Basket of Soft-Shell Crabs From Wife Saved the Bread for Himself.

"Yes, I've heard from my wife and she's going to hear from me. Down on the shore where she is they have the very finest soft-shell crabs that ever used a nipper, and when they're fried they show themselves for the kindly disposition critters they are. Well, this morning I got word from my wife that she was going to send some of 'em fried and ready to eat. 'A nne lot' is the way she told me about 'em, and I had visions of about a bushel of 'em; so I promptly notified friends in the East end that they were on the eats.

"When the package arrived at the office it wasn't as large as I had expected, but I told myself not to be greedy and decided to make a fair division. Division seemed easy, for the package contained two smaller packages. Opening one, I sampled the goods and found them worth while and then passed them around in the office. They lasted three minutes. Then with the other package neatly tied I took a car for the East end. This is where the drama approaches the 'smash.'

"My wife is a very thoughtful woman. When she provides a lunch she provides the trimmings. It was quite a little snack she wanted me to have at the office and she carefully put the crabs in one package and—

"Yes, you have it! When I proudly opened that package in the presence of my East end friends, I found that it contained four slices of bread!"—Pittsburgh Dispatch.

Activities of Women.

Women in Germany are now being given military training.

The pulse in women is from one to five beats higher than in men.

Because his wife moved 39 times in 10 years, E. T. Turner of Camden, N. J., is seeking for a divorce.

Four policewomen have been appointed in Pittsburgh to censor all magazines sold in that city.

For conspicuous bravery in the performance of duty, Mrs. Isabella N. Goodwin, a police matron, has been placed in the honor regiment of the New York police force.

Miss Rose Pitonoff of Dorchester, Mass., was the first swimmer of either sex to cover the 12 miles between Charlestown bridge and Boston, although many famous home and foreign watermen had previously attempted the feat.

Women are now being employed in all the large factories in England where munitions are manufactured.

A woman must be between the age of thirty and forty to be eligible to appointment on the Chicago police force.

Miss A. Florence Yerger, Philadelphia's most successful woman lawyer, has more business than she can handle herself and has been compelled to open three offices in different parts of the city.

Since the dominion of Canada was created forty-one years ago there have been only 443 divorces granted, while in the United States in the same period of time the courts have dissolved 1,274,341 marriages.

Men's Ankles.

Another reform the war should bring about touches the ankles of men. Who would have thought Londoners to be so good looking as are these recruits—all of them—as they go by? It is not the color, for khaki is not flattering; it is not the cap, though that is decidedly becoming; it is chiefly or entirely the putties These restore to the figure of man its shape, its spring, its poise. its distinction. Why not take heart of grace and abolish the tube trousers for good and

Dread Year of the Tiger.

The Year of the Tiger—1914 was so called in the Japanese calendar—foreboded calamity in the prophecies of that people. The Japan Chronicle notes that the ancient superstition is confirmed by the European war, beside which the volcanic eruption at Kagoshima was of trifling consequence.

Cucumber Jelly Salad.

Pare and grate four large cucumbers, add one and one-half cupfuls of boiling water, twelve peppercorns, one teaspoonful of chopped onion and scant one-half teaspoonful of salt; let simmer 20 minutes, add one-half box gelatin softened in one-half cup of cold water; stir until dissolved, then strain through a double thickness of cheesecloth. Line a mold with slices of fresh cucumber, fill with the jelly when it begins to thicken and let harden on ice. Unmold and serve on a bed of watercress.

Bright Shades.

For brightening a large living room with a dark wall covering one might select window shades with gorgeous redbirds perched on greenish brown branches or just large, conventionalized red or mulberry flowers, with ample foliage. For a brown room shades with long sprays of the rich golden glow as a decoration would be successful.

Washable Paper.

Washable paper, such as is used to paper the walls of bathrooms, is an excellent substitute for oilcloth for covering pantry or other shelves, and is much cheaper It may be held in place by thumb tacks, or cut wide enough to come over the edge of the shelf and be pasted down.